Messrs. Editors: I crave a short space

Black Canvas Lacing, 10c. The best 12 1-2-cent Canvas that you have seen. Bargains all through the store. Dress-Goods reductions. Spring Wraps, \$1.93

Goods reductions. Spring Wraps, 11.33
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stocks in Richmond. Ombre Silk at
42 1-2c., worth Sc.; Figured Changeable
Silks, 69c. upwards; solid Surah Silks,
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mer months by thousands of tourists and health-seekers, and not the least of its

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It possesses all the modern conveniences, and is a perfect haven of rest and com-fort for the invalid and those who are

tired out. The Glen Mountain House, so named from its airy perch, com-mands a magnificent sweep of scenery, and its management is first-class in every

particular. Mr. A. J. Michener is the

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High-Grade Pianos and Organs at all prices and terms.
Sheet Music, Music-Books, and everything in the music line at the lowest

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To the Citizens of Ashland:

We feel profoundly grateful for the able assistance rendered us by you on the occasion of the fire Friday morning. Had it not been for it our storehouse would certainly have been destroyed. Appreciating it, and feeling more than thankful, we are, Respectfully, E. DELARUE & BROTHER.

Piano Bargains. Beautiful New Upright Planos now be-ing received from the factory, and will be sold at prices and on terms lower than you can buy second-hand ones for.

Black Ground American Organdy, with

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White Lattice-Checked Muslin at 5c., Gentlemen's Unlaundered Shirts at 23c.; 28 pounds Leakesville Unbleached Knitting

Cotton, with wrappers off, at 19c, per

Have you seen those beautiful French Piano Scarfs at Hume-Minor Co.'s, 629 Broad street? They are the handsomest

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Tune Your Piano.

For expert piano-tuning, leave orders at Hume-Minor Co.'s, 669 Broad street.

120 worth of Music for 50 cents. Com nd see. RICHMOND MUSIC CO., 7 cast Broad street.

Have Sold My \$165 Upright Planes faster than I have received them. They are popular. R. B. LEE, 806 Main.

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New 7 1.3 Octave Upright Plano, \$165, just received to-day from factory. R. B. LEE. (Pace Block.)

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ASHLAND, VA., April 21, 1891.

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END OF A NOVEL COURTSHIP AND QUITE ROMANTIC MARRIAGE. Parted Without Saying "Good-By, My

Lover, Good-By "-Cases of the Speaks Murderers Continued.

COMORN, KING GEORGE COUNTY, VA., April 21 .- (Special.)-It will be remembered that several weeks ago we chronicled the romantic marriage near here of Captain James Harroid, of Washington, D. C., to Mrs. Anna Sorrell, of this county, and that this unique wedding grew out of an advertisement by Harrold, which was answered by widow Sorrell. It will also be remembered that the contracting parties never saw each other until the Washingtonian arrived here to consumate a most novel courtship, which immediately followed the "advertisement lead to the Sunday marriage heretofore described in full. Owing to that most un-common method of marrying, and the bride being a well-known resident of this garded with that degree of real curiosity which nothing less than a remarkable romance can create. The newly-united pair received many callers and congratulations. The groom circulated freely among the people of his suddenly-adopted county, and as freely talked of his future not altogether free from uncongening, that "disappointment" was a disturbing element, and that it would not be a bad plan for parties to become acquainted, at least, before uniting in matrimony, But in the midst of Madam Rumor's interesting details, this romance of the forest suddenly ended, and left quid nunc's THE PARTING.

Some days ago the bride visited one of her married daughters in another part of the scounty, leaving the gray-haired groom in charge of their cozy home. During her absence the newly-married cap-tain packed up his part of the household ent talker, well informed, a man of cleasant address and manners, but where he has gone and the cause of his sudden departure are questions not now known BURNED TO DEATH.

A few days ago, a colored woman, nearly 50 years of ago, residing in the upper part of this county, was burned to death, about 5 o'clock in the afternoon. The other members of the family were absent from the house, in attendance upon the closing exercises of the public

or Edge Hill, this county, several co. She was well and favorably to the people of her county, and cing her failing health and ad-age, her death was not unex-

ease. But it is now said or mity that owing to the at a manifest opposition to a new trial for the culprit. Mr. Mason has withdrawn from the case. It is also stated that many of Mr. Mason's warm friends and supporters have ndessed and requested him not to act as associate coursel for Moore.

CRIMINAL INCREASE.

The homely old adage that "it never rains unless it pours" is quite applicable just now to law-breaking in this county. For years our fall has been comparatively empty, our lawyers have "rested on their pars," and the office of magistrate has pars, and the office of magnetate has game begging. But now our jail is crowd-ed, and the county is boarding other griminals in the Fredericksburg "lock-up." Every resident lawyer is overwhelmed with clients, and the Westmoreland lawwith clients, and the Westmoreland law-yers are also participating in the barvest here. And, to cap the climax, in conduct "against the peace and dignity of the Commonwealth," two athletic women the other day engaged in a bloody isticust-knock-down-and-drag-out fight.

Mr. Fielding L. Ashten, one of the most popular cliticus and ex-Confederate sol-liers of the county, has been very ill for several weeks, and is still a great sufferer, but his ultimate recovery is prob-

sufferer, but his ultimate recovery is prob-

Judge Ashton held a special court this seek and released Eddie Kenedy, the hite youth who has been incarcerated it jull some time for the larceny of a eral weeks ago, but it appear-ently that the evidence against of very conclusive, and there as list of cases on the court prolong his confinement in the crowded prison, a conditional nolle prosequi was entered by the Commonwealth's Attorney,

A CHOST, OR WHAT? epeatance carly every night of a systerious and unaccountable image at certain point on the public road near this place has recently excited endless comment, conjecture, and curiosity. When first reported none but the most different and superstitious classes gave it say thought or attention, but since the curious thing and its remarkable movements has been observed by see many curious thing and its remarkable movebents has been observed by so many
passers-by, and since some of the most
intelligent and reliable citizens corroborate
the repeated accounts by much less reliable folks, the nocturnal image is the leading topic of the neighborhood. The attention of howspaper men were some time
ago called to it, but the repeated stories
about it being regarded as a hoax, ignorant imagination, or rank superstition,
no one dared to give any credit to or
make any mention of it in a public way.
Not only is the strange thing seen every one dared to give any credit to or the any mention of it in a public way, it only is the strange thing seen every in the purpose of mean the public way, it only is the strange thing seen every that by massers-by, but companies of mean the purpose seeing it, and fearless men have made it reads upon it, but it recedes from ery approach, and when hotly pursued variables from view. It is about the e of a Newfoundland dog, jetty black, y quick and active in its antics, and seless in its movements. In fleeing me pursuers it regards neither fences other obstructions, but bounds over greatest obstacles with lightning of and perfect ease, leaving neither ciss or other marks by which its identification classes here have but one alon concerning it, and that is that it a short. But the more enlightened pie have no such thought, and take part in the alarm caused by the exact in the community of a thing the cannot be accounted for nor identifications. That the story of the mysterious se is absolutely true, there is now no dow of doubt here, for it has been inled most satisfactority before this be could be induced to give it to the patch, but what it is, where it came in, and the object of its mission no one we, and we do not conjecture. One is, however, is very certain, superstifolism or the all of the mets of the unexplained thing after the deep of right appear.

sof the unexplained thing after the sof tight appear.
Benjamin Atwill, one of our most y and beloved citizens, died at his in this county, Wednesday of this lie had for many years been one most active and faithful workers Methodist church here, and as an at servant of God he will be sadly. As soldier, citizen, husband, neighbor, and Christian no man was held in higher esteem than was tiwill.

sister—the latter being the last child of Mrs. Eikins,

GHARLOTTESVILLE'S CHURCHES.

rofessors Read Papers Before the Philos phical Society-Pantops Entertain. CHARLOTTESVILLE, VA., April 21 .-(Special.)-The Rev. James P. Smith, D. D., of Richmond, will preach morning and evening at the Presbyterian church

on next Sunday.

The congregation of the Church of the The congregation of the Church of the Disciples will on next Sunday ask the Rev. B. A. Abbott to reconsider his resignation, tendered on last Sunday. The Philosophical Society of the University of Virginia held an interesting meeting this evening. Papers were read by Professor Noah K. Davis and W. W. Humphreys on "Infinity" and "The Trial of Sophocles," respectively.

Mr. John S. Patton has been elected an honorary member of the Massie Literary Society.

day by the Clerk of the County Court to Mr. Richard M. Hall and Miss Eliza E.

kins, and Woods. A magnificent supper was served. The ladies present were Jean Holladay, Eliza and Minnie Riggs.

The trial of R. B. Guard, enarged with shooting Miss Laura C. Martin, which was set for to-day, has been postponed until the 12th of May, in order that the young lady may appear. The condition of Miss Martin continues to improve is supposed to have lodged in her neck.

DEATH OF DR. A. J. NYE. Destruction of Timber by Mountain Fires-Sheep Killed by Dogs.

BLAND, VA., April 21.-(Special.)-Dr. A. J. Nye departed this life at the home of his daughter, Mrss Rose Wylle, in this place, at 1 o'clock Friday morning. He has been quite an invalid. His remains will be moved to Wythwille, Va., where they will be buried with Masonic honors, He leaves three sons and four daughters, all of whom are married.

Fires in the mountains have been destroying timber and fences to a consider-

all of whom are married.

Fires in the mountains have been destroying timber and fences to a considerable extent. A tobacco-barn was burned north of town a few days ago.

Judge Martin Williams lost several sheep a few nights ago by dogs. Our people are "loud" for the passage of a strict dog law.

W. C. Newberry, who was one of the participants in the homicide reported to you from this county, is out on bail. It is, the impression now that he killed.

alligator was brought to town this moan- nesday evening. ing, having been caught on Mr. Edwin Barnes's farm, just a few miles from here. A negro discovered the animal in a large ditch on the place, and struck it a blow on the head with a shovel. The alligator is a young one, three feet long
It is quite a curious thing that one of
these animals should be found in this
P. M.
Color

Rev. J. A. Monday is conducting a protracted meeting in the Baptist church here. He is preaching excellent sermons each night, and much interest has been manifested.

It is thought by many here that Jarvin's appointment as senator puts a quictus upon Ransom's chances to be returned. Both senators are now from the East, and the West will now solidify upon some western man, the East being present position.

Herming from a short visit to Washing-BREEDEN, TALLEY & CO.

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While Watkin's Glen, New York, may not be one of the world. It is unquestionably one of the most beautiful and romantic places on this grant the West will now solidify upon some western man, the East being present position. on some western man, the East being present position.

already for Jarvis. A RAIN-STORM AT ASHLAND.

Decided to Purchase a Hand Fire-Engine-

ASHLAND, VA., April 21.-(Special.)-A heavy rain-storm passed over this place this afternoon, lasting about one hour. In the vicinity of Doswell hail

will play the Columbia College Club Mon-day afternon on the campus, Pitcher Roberson has recovered from his acci-dent received at Lexington last week, and will fill the box for the home men in

JUDGE MOFFETT'S MOTHER DEAD.

Her Demise Probably Due to the Killing of the Rev. J. R . Moffett.

SALEM, VA., April 21.- (Special.)-Judge Moffett, of Roanoke County Court, received a telegram this afterneon an-nouncing the death of his mother, near Culpeper, this morning. Mrs. Moffett was 70 years of age, and her death may be indirectly traced to the murder of her son, Rev. J. R. Moffett, in Danville, about two years ago, for she has suffered from nervous prostration ever since. Deceased was a widow, and leaves two grown sons and a daughter. ceived a telegram this afternoon an-

An Apple Blossom Wedding.

CLIFTON FORGE, VA., April 21.—(Special.)—One of the prettiest marriages ever witnessed in Clifton Forge took place at the Presbyterian church Thursday, April 19th, at 9 P. M., the contracting parties being Miss Florence B. Surber, eldest daughter of M. P. Surber, of Falling Spring Valley, and S. M. Alvis, a prominent young business-man of Longdale. The church was handsomely decorated for the occasion, and was crowded with the friends of the young couple. the occasion, and was crowded with the friends of the young couple.

The ceremony was performed by the Rev. E. W. McCorkle, pastor of the church, assisted by Rev. W. H. Book, of the Disciples' church.

The bride with her maid of honor, Miss

The of the Disciples' church.

The bride with her maid of honor, Miss Fannie Bell, of Fishersville, entered the west aisle, preceded by her bridesmaids—Misses Gertrude Alvis and Mamie Quinn; Minnie Hill, of Culpeper, and Lily Moncure, of Richmond; Bessie Alvis and Sadie Alvis-dressed respectively in pink and white, bearing arches of flowers, under which the bride passed as she reached the chancel. The groom entered the church by the east aisle, leaning on the arm of his best man, W. H. Hodge, of Longdale, preceded by the groomsmen—Dr. Aubrey Bowles, of Richmond, and A. S. Fitch; W. A. Richardson and Brown Surber; W. G. McCormick, of Milboro', and J. M. Booze, of Iron Gate. The ushers were E. G. Roberts, T. Wallace Cox, E. Blair Hawkins, and J. W. McNair.

Misses Eliza and Hattie Surber, the young twin sisters of the bride, held back the ribbons as the bridal party passed through. The bride was handsomely attired in a crepe de chine.

After the wedding the newly-wedded couple left on the 10:27 train for a northerm tour.

couple left on the 10:27 train for a north-The bridal presents were handsome and numerous. They have the best wishes of their friends.

Greensville Will Have a Dog-Tax.

EMPORIA, VA., April 21.—(Special.)—
The Board of Supervisors for the county of Greensville had a called meeting today, and discussed the propriety of levying a dog-tax, as contemplated by the act passed at the meeting of the last General Assembly. The board decided to levy said tax, and the Commissioner of the Rovenne, who was present, was directed to carry out the provisions of the law.

Nearly all of the people whom your correspondent has talked with are in favor of the erection of a fire-proof clerk's office.

most active and faithful workers Methodist church here, and as an servant of God he will be sadly As soldier, citizen, husband, neighbor, and Christian no man is held in higher esteem than was little son of Mrs. Myrtle Elkins, of C. B. Elkins, whose sad death forted in this correspondence not not, citizen, whose sad death forced in this correspondence not not of the lengs and brain. This accounts the length of father and the length of the length of the length of father and the length of t

GOV. WOODFIN'S HOME ANNUAL VISIT AND INSPECTION BY

THE BOARD OF MANAGERS. Mingling of Regulars and Volunteers at Luncheon-Knights Templar Officers

Elected-Presentation of Robes.

OLD POINT COMFORT, VA., April 21. (Special.)—The annual visit of the Board of Managers to the National Soldiers' Home, at Hampton, took place on Wednesday. The Secretary of War, who is a member of the board ex-officio, was represented by General J. B. Doe, his assistant, while Judge Mansur, Second Comptroller of the Treasury, came down with the board to look into the system of accounts. After a thorough inspection of the buildings and grounds, which were found in excellent condition, the party were entertained at lunch by General and Wilkerson.
Misses Mollie and Minnie Goodloe, of
Mrs. Woodfin. Colonel Frank, past comafton, are visiting the family of Mr. W.
mander, and a number of officers and
ladles of the garrison were also present, mander, and a number of officers and ladies of the garrison were also present,

and there was a mingling of the regulars and volunteers.

This home now has about 3,000 inmates, and is the favorite resort of the old boys during the winter, and the number applicants largely exceeds its capacity.

Jean Holladay, Ediza, and Minnie Riggs, Belle Chirk, Esther Judkins, Nannie Gordon, the Misses Tayloe, Lucy and Ida Hanckel, Young, Peebles, Withrow, Carter, and Rosalie Thornton, Dunnington, Enson, Gilmore, Long, Morgan, Valentina, Brown, Sally, Josey, and Mary Watts, Woods, Bessle Moore, Ludle and Hattie Bibb, Mrs. McCullough, Mrs. Micajah Woods, Mrs. Bradford Noyes, Professor Thornton and Mr. Lawson Price, of the university, were also guests of the occasion.

The trial of R. B. Goard, charged with shooting Miss Laura C. Martin, which was set for to-day, has been postponed until the 12th of May, in order that the OFFICERS ELECTED.

Governor Woodfin, the retiring eminent is the commander, presented the commandery with a handsome set of robes for the Red-Cross degree. This commandery has about forty members, and is in excellent condition.

General Charles H. Tompkins, chief quartermaster of the department, and wife arrived here yesterday. He has been inspecifing the ports along the Atlantic coast from Key West to this point.

Colonel J. Cooper McKee Gretrech, of the Medical Department, is here for a month's visit. He spent ten years of his life before the war with the cavalry, chasing Indians on the plains, and tells some thrilling stories of those stirring times.

Cate, and in the stormy days of read-instead, as the chairman of the Council instead. To must can not be said in his praise for his unswerving devotion to and attement to the great Democratic party and its principles since the days of read-construction to the present time. First and foremost in its councils and hattles, he has never been a laggard, but has materially aided in all of its vectories.

Mr. Dickerson has the chairman of the Council Committee on Schools, he stood like a "Stonewail." almost selitary and alone to defeat the mechanica of the Mahone party, which menaced its destruction.

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citizens. The mechanic, the manufac-turer, the merchant, the capitalist, find

W. C. Newberry, who was one of the participants in the homicide reported to you from this county, is out on bail. It is the impression now that he killed Jones in self-defence. The affair is to be greatly regreted.

The new postmaster, S. J. Banks (Democraft), takes charge of the post-office here to-day.

A STRAY ALLIGATOR IN CAROLINA.

Interest in the Protracted Baptist Meetings—The Senatorial Contest.

Interest in the Protracted Contest.

A straight of the protracted Contest.

Earlison, returned to Governor's Island yesterday.

Lieutenant T. B. Lameraux, Fourth Artillery, leaves for New York to-night to take a competitive examination for a vacancy in the Ordinance Corps. As the transfer earries with it an immediate promotion, there are some half a dozen officers competing for the prize.

Miss Coudette Tyler, who was recently engaged to Howard Gould, is spending a few days at the Hygela with her mother, and persons desiring to avail themselves of becoming charter members of the a number of the officers and ladies of the garrison at a dinner at the Hygeia Wed-

Tug parties from Norfolk are now a fea-ture of these beautiful and balmy moon-light nights. Some forty or fifty couples of young society people came down Thursday evening, and after supper, en-joyed dancing in the pavillon until 11

these animals should be found in this section, where none were ever known to be seen before.

Rev. J. A. Munday is conducting a premorning from a short visit to Washing-

The Marquis de Chambrun, of the French legation, arrived here this morn-ing, and is the guest of Captain and Mrs.

Mrs. Bodell left for Washington to night, where she will spend a couple of weeks visiting friends. The training-ship Portsmouth, which has been on a winter cruise in the West Indies, is in the Roads awaiting orders.

HOME FOLKS. hour. In the vicinity of Doswell haif feil until the ground was well covered.

The Town Council decided at its meeting last night to purchase a hand firengine for the use of the town.

The Randolph-Macon base-ball team will play the Columbia College Club Monday afternon on the campus, Pitcher Roberson has recovered from his accident received at Lexington last week, General C. J. Anderson, Colonel Jo. Lane Stern, C. E. Tennant, William H. Allisten. son, Mr. and Mrs. J. Scott Parrish,

LIQUOR LICENSES GRANTED.

Major Hotchkiss to Lecture on Jackson Valley Campaign.

ALEXANDRIA, VA., April 21.-(Special.) The County Excise Board held a meeting at the court-house, on Columbus street, in this city, yesterday, for th purpose of receiving and acting upon all applications for liquor-license. The en-tire board-Messrs, C. A. Trout, M. H. Johnston, and Edward Barnard-were present. Mr. Trout was elected chair-man of the board, and Mr. Johnston secretary. More than one petition was re-ceived from residents of the county, ask-ing the board to be careful in the matter of granting licenses, and to be par ticular in issuing them only to responsibl persons, and to limit the number. Th following licenses were granted: J. W. Clark, Roslyn; B. B. Johnston, Arlington; Dan Crumbaugh, Chain Bridge; ton; Dan Crumbaugh, Chain Bridge;
George Wolz, Roslyn, and Eliza Grove,
Washington Road. These are the first
licenses granted by the new Excise Board
licenses granted by the last Legislature, to take

28 pounds Leakesville Land off, at 19c. per
Cotton, with wrappers off, at 19c. per
Dound; Outing Shirts, 19c.
BREEDEN, TALLEY & CO.,
BREEDEN, TALLEY & CO., created by the last Legislature, to take the liquor-license-granting power out of the hands of Judge Chichester, who has

the county whatever.

Sook, Major Jed Hotchkiss, who, as heretofore stated in the Dispatch, will lecture in this city on the 20th instant for the benefit of the Ladies' Auxiliary to Lee Camp, Confederate Veterans, will take in the who such southern the country of the Ladies' Auxiliary to Lee Camp, Confederate Veterans, will take the substant "Storment Leckson's Val. as his subject, "Stonewall Jackson's Valley Campaign." The lecture will be illustrated by maps and blackboard sketches.

The Old Dominion Commandery, Knight

sketches.

The Old Dominion Commandery, Knight
Templars, of this city, accompanied by
the drum corps, will on Tuesday next go
to Leesburg to be present at the laying of
the corner-stone of the new court-house
there, where they will form the escort of
the Grand Lodge of Virginia Masons,
who will conduct the Masonic ceremonies. Many other Alexandrians will also

BURGLARY IN PETERSBURG.

Can an Insurance Policy Be Assigned?-Myers and Brooks Ordered Back. PETERSBURG, VA., April 21.-(Spe cial.)-The store of R. O. Jones was enter ed by Murglars last night and goods to the amount of \$75 stolen.

The Hustings Court was engaged all The Hustings Court was engaged all day in hearing the suit of Baugh's legatees vs. the True Reformers, which involves the question whether an insurance policy can be assigned, and the legatees or children left out. The court, after hearing argument, reserved its decision.

A letter received from President Young, of the national association, to-day says: "Myers and Brooks will have to return to Petersburg to play ball, or else be barred from playing during the balance of this season." barred from playing during the balance of this zeason."

President Rockwell, of the Council, this evening appointed the following councilmen to represent the city at the annual meeting of the stockholders of the Norfolk and Western railroad, to be held in Roanoke May 2d: J. M. Quicke, S. M. Green, J. R. W. Smith, R. W. Collier, and W. G. Andrews.

IMPORTANT INSURANCE DECISION.

pany-An Appeal Will Be Taken. LURAY, VA., April 21.—(Special.)—In the Circuit Court of Page county, now in session in this place, a judgment was

Land and Improvement Company against the Georgia Home Insurance Company for the sum of \$4,508,84 on a policy of \$5,000 on the Luray Inn, which was destroyed by fire in November, 1891. The insurance company resisted payment on the ground of a change in the possession of the property. The case will go to the Court of Appeals. The insurance company was represented by Mr. Eppa Hunton, Jr., and Judge E. T. Booton, and the land company by Messrs, Marshall McCormick and Charles M. Brown.

Mr. R. H. Edmonds, editor of the Manu-

Messrs. Editors: I crave a short space in your paper to give my views why Mr. Joseph C. Dickerson should receive the hearty support of the Democratic voters of Richmond in the coming primary for the office of Mayor.

Born and reared in our midst, at the first call of duty made by his State he responded promptly, and made a record in the Army of Northern Virginia second to none as a true and faithful soldier of

in the Army of Northern Virginia second to none as a true and faithful soldier of the lost cause. At the close of the war he returned to Richmond without a dollar, starting the manufacturing business now conducted by him on Franklin street, which has been managed with success. He has reared and educated a large family of children, and stands to-day among the best-known and most widely-respected manufacturing merchants of our city. He has been a member of the Board of Aldermen for the past sixteen years, and during that entire period has never missed but two meetings, whether called or regular; consequently, has met every issue for the welfare of the city squarely and fairly. He has been regarded is possibly the ablest debator this body has ever produced, and his knowledge of city affairs and the various ordinances passed since the war is superior to that of any other man in public life in Richmond. Mr. Dickerson is a forcibe speaker, clear and concise in his language, is one of the closest and clearest thinkers of any of lantic and Gulf ports. The great gathering at Wichita last week in the interest how the West is getting ready to fin if not surpassing, in magnitude and far-reaching results the mighty this of popu-lation that swept westward for so many

the public men of our city.

For his services to the free-school system of our city no man deserves more praise than Mr. Dickerson. He has been its unfaltering friend, its devoted advocate, and in the stormy days of readjustment, as the chairman of the Council Committee on Schools, he stood like a The West as a whole has reached the utmost limit of its possible profitable deworld offering opportunities broad enough to meet the occasion. In making our calculations on the future growth of this country we are too apt to forget that the population of the United States is now increasing at the rate of 15,000,000 to 18,000, copper to years. A decade's growth in 009 every ten years. A decade's growth in population almost equals the present population of the whole South. Hereto-fore the West has absorbed this encrfore the West has absorbed this enormous increase, but now the West is overand more symmetrical development of the
entire country (when the West will again
be an inviting field), and the South must
shortly become the centre of activity, as

craighill, who has charge of the harbor improvements of Baltimore, in a public address to the people of Baltimore, said:
"Look out for Newport News." But Baltimore people did not then appreciate the advantages of that place, and paid little attention to the warning. The solid men of the diverse town because and the commonwealth's commonwealth's gent Commonwealth's of this city are now, however, realizing that Newport News is a reality. I have been struck recently with the faith of "of going there, and just sitting down in order to pick up bargains." Baltimore has waked up to realize that we must meet the nearness of Newport News to the ocean by making a supreme effort to build a \$20,000,000 canal across the peninsula to shorten the distance to the

General Agnus, the publisher of the American, in a speech before the Merchants, and Manufacturers' Association last week, pointed to the growth of Newport News as a reason why Baltimore must secure this canal in order to shorten the voyage up the bay.

HER FOREIGN EXPORTS.

Mr. R. H. Edmonds, editor of the Manufacturing interests, guarantees that he speen made in the development of the foreign commerce of that port and the reasons why natural advantages, supplemented by what has already been accomplished in building up the shipping and manufacturing interests, guarantees that Newport News will become one of the important scaports of the country, but a discussion of the mighty forces now at work to turn the foreign trade of the Linted States from northern to South Atlantic and Gulf ports. The great gathering at Wichila last week in the interests of the contery.

the matter, sain: "We give a list of the vensels now in port or chartered to arrive and load grain at Atlantic ports during the next thirty to sixty days. It will be noted that not a single vessel is credited THE IMMENSE TONNAGE.

With the growth of the shipping busi-ness the increase in coal shipments which must continue as West Virginia's great ing enough to satisfy its most A Tribute to Worth.

far surpassing that of the West of the last twenty years, as the natural advantages of the South exceed those of the former.

see him and know his littless.

I would like, in my poor way, to aid my friend, D. C. Richardson, I was with him daily for three years in the army, and must know him well. Soldiers do

tages of the South exceed those of the former.

A SOUTHWARD MOVEMENT.
But I cannot go into these points. They need elaboration. Taey all point to a great southward movement, and all help to create such conditions of growth as must exert a far greater influence upon the future of Newport News and other good southern ports than is generally appreciated. As disastrous as the three years of hard times have proved to many investments, and as heavy as have been the losses in railroad and other properties, they will prove a blessing to the South, the magnitude of which we cannot dare forecast. The South has stood the strain of this depression better than any other section. This fact has commanded world-wide attention, and when activity once more returns, 8s it must do, the South's progress will be by leaps and bounds that will surprise us all.

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port News as a reason why Baltimore must secure this canal in order to shorten the voyage up the bay.

BER FOREIGN EXPORTS.

During the eight months ended February 25th the foreign exports from Newport News were valued at \$9,663,688, against \$5,499,251 for the corresponding time of the preceding year—a gain of \$4,200,000, the largest percentage of gain



to Philadelphia, but that the bulk of business has been done at Newport News and Baltimore. The list includes only full-cargo steamers." This list showed an aggregate of eleven steamers to load full grain cargoes at New York, Philadelever a capitalist might be reached or a good work schemed his busy brain and ever a capitalist might be reached or a good work schemed his busy brain and cated with wise suggestion the building of a hotel commensurate with the needs MILK SHAKERS, ICK SHAVERS, of the public and the dignity of the metropolis. For many years he has acted as one of the managers of the Mechanica' ONENS & W. Institute, and has given liberally of his time and means towards educating the youth of our city."

I trust it will be the pleasure of the to-day's paper—front pare.

voters of this city to nominate this meri-torious gentleman on next Thursday, the 26th of April. AN OLD CITIZEN.

Hartford Steam Boiler Inspection and Insurance Company.

We beg leave to call the attention of our readers to the annual statement of this company, which appears in our columns this morning. The "Hartford" makes thorough and searching inspec-tions periodically of all boilers and their attachments (without extra charge to the makes the doubt and their attachments (without extra charge to the assured) and by its policy, in case of explosion, holds itself ready to indemnify you against losses to PROFERTY, LIFE, and DISABLING INJURIES to the extent of the amount insured. The "Hartford" is the only company engaged in the steam-boiler inspection and insurance business exclusively, whose policies fully protect the rights of the steam user. The Hartford is the pioneer company in their business in this country, having been organized in 1806 and continuing in successful operation since. Its capitat (fully paid) is \$500,000, with assets on January 1, 1804, of \$1,862,501.75, having a (fully paid) is \$500,000, with assets on January 1, 1894, of \$1,802,501,155, having a surplus as regards policyholders of \$523, 287,385, and it has returned to its patrons in losses paid and inspections the sum of \$3,191,231,99. The company has in Harriford a well-equipped chemical laboratory, in which waters forming a troublesome scale or having liquidus of \$600,000. which waters forming a troublesome scale or having injurious effect on iron and steel are carefully analyzed for its pa-trons with a view of suggesting a remedy that shall overcome the difficulty. The company is prepared to furnish plans and specifications as to the proper construc-tion and setting of bollers in manufac-turing establishments and in all other buildings where steam is used; in fact, no line of inquiry in relation to the use of steam and its effects has been nec-lected by its officers. Mr. T. L. Alfriend, No. 1203 Main street, is the Richmond agent of this first-class company, and is prepared to issue its policies and explain its workings to all of our people who are steam users.

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